

AMA-CHEWER

MONTHLY PAPER OF THE INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB INC.

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PROGRAMS

Dec. 12th Art Schultz, W9NNX will talk on the use of test equipment and devices, their application and determination of tests.

Dec. 19th Business meeting of the club-AND- Following the business meeting there will be a gift exchange. Anyone wishing to take part in his gift exchange is asked to bring a wrapped gift not to exceed \$1.00 in value which will be exchanged by lot. Let's turn out for this gift exchange and have some pre-Christmas fun. Rack up your brain and let's see what turns up in this exchange.



Happy Holiday Season



Dec. 26th Bill Rener (Who is expected to be in town for the Christmas Holidays) will talk on UHF TV. Bill has been in Portland, Oregon for the opening of the first UHF - TV station in this country and has some first hand information to pass out. This should prove interesting.

Jan. 2nd Installation of our new club officers.

The Indianapolis Radio Club Inc. meets every Friday night at 8:00 PM at the U. S. Marine Armory, 2830 East Riverside Drive. Entrance by auto is best made on Riverside Drive about 500 feet south of 29th St. This leads to a large parking lot South of the building which you are requested to use. Enter building by the front door and exit the same way. Everyone is welcome.

The U. S. Marine Corps is putting on a drive for "Toys for Tots". If you have any used toys that can be used for other children or if you care to buy a new toy you are asked to wrap it as a gift, put on whether it is for a boy or girl and the age group it would be most fitted for, then either drop it off at the Marine Armory or in boxes which are at Fire Stations and some drug stores throughout the city. Let's give a hand with this project of the Marine's.

1953 CLUB OFFICERS

The Annual meeting of the Indianapolis Radio Club Inc. was held Friday December the 5th and the following officers were elected to serve for the year 1953.

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| President | John Jones, W9FZW | 3339 Robson |
| Vice President | Ronald Williams W9JVF | 145 S. Hawthorne Lane |
| Secretary | Harry Butler W9OVF | 1310 Laurel St. |
| Treasurer | Ralph Mays N/C | 7201 E. 38th St. |
| Chief Operator | Byron Fortner W9FYM | RR #6 Box 370 |
| Director | Claude Richie W9TKV | 1854 N. Delaware St. |
| Director | Alvey Pittman W9JJC | RR # 15 Box 588X |

You have selected these men to lead the club now it is up to you to support them in any undertaking of the club. Let's give them that support.

ARRL DIRECTORSHIP

An ARRL Bulletin received by the club denotes that Wes Marriner, W9AND was elected and Vice Director Harry Matthews.

HOBBY SHOW

The Hobby Show at the Fairgrounds Nov. 8th through the 14th came off in fine shape. Graham Electronics supplied the bulk of the equipment and the booth was manned by the club members as well as other local hams. We wish to thank all those who took part in helping out with this project, those taking part in keeping the booth manned and those who hauled the equipment out to the fairgrounds, put up the antennas and dismantled the equipment after the show. It shows the things possible when we all give just a little of our time.

Several suggestions came out of the show including the fact that the antennas be put up several weeks in advance so as to get the proper location as well as catch proper weather. Quite a bit of interest was shown as evidenced by the fact that Graham Electronics reported a marked increase of Novices making inquiry at their store as a result of having talked to someone at the booth. Our thanks again to those taking part in this activity and our thanks to Graham Electronics for the loan of the equipment.

AUCTION RESULTS

The auction of the club transmitters and surplus gear resulted in the club treasury being enriched by \$175.45. This was an auction well attended and some very fine gear was auctioned off by Dick Hale the Auctioneer.

In line with the auctioning off of the club gear the purchase of the new transmitter which is to be band switching, namely a Johnson Viking has been accomplished and the wiring of same has gone forward and air tests have been made already. Perhaps by next week, the 12th this transmitter will be installed at club quarters.

NEW AMATEUR RADIO PLAN

147.3 Mc FM

Ye editor has been handed a bulletin from Zellon Audritsh, Communication Division, Indiana Department of Civil Defense and has talked to

and seen the operation of an installation in Bill Lueth's (W9DSC) car. Those attending the IRCC Ham Fest will recall Zellon Audritsh talking about this gear at this picnic.

As stated in this late bulletin this operation is being used on 147.3 Mc FM in order that regardless of the locality you may have contact with someone in that area. This frequency is further being proposed because it is thought that in case of disaster or invasion this high frequency, since it will not carry so far, will not be deleted from frequencies that hams may use in case of presidential order. Too, at this time quite a few units of used gear is available that can be converted to ham bands. The bulletin notes Glenn Barr, 4170 Evans-ton Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana. as the County Coordinator.

Talking to Bill Lueth when seeing his gear in operation ye ed gathered ye following information. The 147.3 Mc frequency is being monitored by the Indianapolis Police, W9VSH on a 24 hour basis which means that in an emergency that they are on call at once. Mobile stations on the air at the time of our talk were W9DSC, W9SYI, W9VJM, and W9CJF. Fixed stations are The Indianapolis Police W9VSH, W9JFF, Carmel, W9SAR at Lafayette, W9MOW at Rossville. W9JFF at Carmel monitors all day on Monday's and every evening. CJF, VJW, Indianapolis, EWO, Lebanon UXP and QBH Lafayette monitor e ach evening from 7 to 11 PM.

There it is fellows. Get on the wagon and get some more activity on 2 locally and if on Mobile you are assured that you will be close to some listening station. Bill says that he t inks that even AM can get through on this frequency.

MAILING QUESTIONNAIRE

For the past two issues of Amachewer there has been included a sheet for sending in your address in order that we can be sure that our paper is getting into your hands. To date there have been 5 cases of duplication in the mailing and about 15 changes of addresses. This in the 90 odd questionnaires that have been returned. That means that in the remaining 80 names that have not been heard from there is still more changes. This means that quite a few of our papers are ending up in the dead letter office of the post office and are thus wasted as far as the club is concerned.

Now for ye editors comments on same. He and his main source of News, namely Howard Severeid, W9DPL, who sends in each about 4 pages full of items which has taken quite some time to assemble as well as type, Johnny Jones, W9FZW, who has helped with the printing for some time as well as Jerry Lucas, W9APJ. If these men can put so much time into getting your club paper out to you why can't you take the little time that it takes to send in the questionnaire that they may know that the paper is being received and read. Is that asking too much. Sometimes ye ed thinks that it is from the de-rth of volunteers that offer their services when a little of THEIR time is requested for some club activity. If you have overlooked this little task why not use the questionnaire, the last one to appear, that is included in this issue of the paper. The next mailing will be mailed on the basis of questionnaires received so that delivery is assured.

Speaking of help, your new club officers will need it, so if you have just been lax in offering to help why not make that New Year's resolution to pitch in and help with club doings. Spend a little time now to help keep your hobby what it is now or else it may slip away from you.

BUILDING PLEDGES

As you are no doubt aware there has been included in the past two issues of Amateuer a pledge sheet for a possible building program for the Indianapolis Radio Club. To date there has been pledged a total of \$850.00. This seems a good sign and if more definite plans were made it is thought that more would be willing to pledge for the building fund. It has been suggested that a committee to contact more interested persons be formed and this will soon be done together with definite plans and the like.

For the present though we are again including a pledge sheet in this issue that you may show your present intentions should the actual building program materialize. Let's see if you really want a place of our own.

SILENT KEY

George McQuiston, W9SEL passed away Tuesday afternoon Nov. 11th after a long illness. He was buried in Washington Park Cemetery Friday, Nov. 14th.

George was the fellow whom the gang had just finished moving his equipment to a more favorable operating position and an antenna had been put up for his use.

NEWS

Rather belated we report that the former Esther Dickmeyer has remarried and is now Mrs. Cody. The wedding took place last April. Our congratulations to you and your husband Esther. ' - all'.

Charley Parker exW9KCP sent an airmail letter to ye ed telling him of his new call which is W4TQB. He is on the air with it too as ye ed heard Ron Williams telling of having had worked Chuck with the new handle.

An Amateur Radio Club is being formed at Butler University. It has five members at present. Gloria Harvey is president and Marve Robbins is trustee of the club station soon to be on the air. They are planning on issuing a local book which will be sold to raise money for the station. (Which reminds ye ed of the partly printed call book that still rests in ye ed's paper room, still unfinished.)

Had another letter from Doc Pickhart down in Franklin, Ind. He wrote that he thought it was FB that the club was planning on building and then commented that he read in Ed Sovola's column in the Times that we "Aint" gonna get, for no place to build on. Doc made some more comments and then thought better of them because he censored same by cutting that section out of his letter so ye ed will never know just what he had stated. Doc went on and commented on talking to Willie, W9AUN for 90 minutes and that Willie had to quit because he-Willie-had to QRT to go look at funnies on TV. FB Doc and let us hear from you oftener.

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FOR SALE, trade, or swap-Engineering models of TV boosters. Contact Art Schultz, W9NNX, 908 East Michigan St. Phone Capitol 7223.